UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

21-CV-11125-LAK

Plaintiff,

-against-

MEDALLION FINANCIAL CORP., ANDREW MURSTEIN, LAWRENCE MEYERS, and ICHABOD'S CRANIUM, INC.,

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Defendants.

DATE FILED: 05/30/2025

FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANTS LAWRENCE MEYERS AND ICHABOD'S CRANIUM, INC.

The Securities and Exchange Commission having filed an Amended Complaint and Defendants Lawrence Meyers ("Meyers") and Ichabod's Cranium, Inc. (together, "Defendants") having entered general appearances; consented to the Court's jurisdiction over Defendants and the subject matter of this action; consented to entry of this Final Judgment without admitting or denying the allegations of the Amended Complaint (except as to jurisdiction and except as otherwise provided herein in paragraph VI); waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment:

I.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendants are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5], by using any means or instrumentality of

interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange, in connection with the purchase or sale of any security:

- (a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;
- (b) to make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (c) to engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, as provided in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(d)(2), the foregoing paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise: (a) Defendants' officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (b) other persons in active concert or participation with Defendants or with anyone described in (a).

II.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that

Defendants are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Section 17(b) of the

Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") [15 U.S.C. § 77q(a)] by using any means or

instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by use of the mails,
directly or indirectly, to publish, give publicity to, or circulate any notice, circular,
advertisement, newspaper, article, letter, investment service, or communication which, though
not purporting to offer a security for sale, describes such security for a consideration received or
to be received, directly or indirectly, from an issuer, underwriter, or dealer, without fully
disclosing the receipt, whether past or prospective, of such consideration and the amount thereof.

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III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant Meyers shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$100,000 to the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)] and Section 20(d) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(d)]. Meyers shall make this payment pursuant to the terms of the payment schedule set forth in paragraph IV below after entry of this Final Judgment.

Meyers may transmit payment electronically to the Commission, which will provide detailed ACH transfer/Fedwire instructions upon request. Payment may also be made directly from a bank account via Pay.gov through the SEC website at http://www.sec.gov/about/offices/ofm.htm. Meyers may also pay by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, which shall be delivered or mailed to

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and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying the case title, civil action number, and name of this Court; Meyers as a defendant in this action; and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment.

Meyers shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of evidence of payment and case

identifying information to the Commission's counsel in this action. By making this payment, Meyers relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such funds and no part of the funds shall be returned to Meyers. The Commission shall send the funds paid pursuant to this Final Judgment to the United States Treasury.

The Commission may enforce the Court's judgment for penalties by the use of all collection procedures authorized by law, including the Federal Debt Collection Procedures Act, 28 U.S.C. § 3001 *et seq.*, and moving for civil contempt for the violation of any Court orders issued in this action. Meyers shall pay post-judgment interest on any amounts due after 30 days of the entry of this Final Judgment pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961.

IV.

Defendant Meyers shall pay the total penalty due of \$100,000 in twelve installments to the Commission according to the following schedule: (1) \$20,000, within 30 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (2) \$5,000, within 60 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (3) \$5,000, within 90 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (4) \$5,000, within 120 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (5) \$5,000, within 150 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (6) \$5,000, within 180 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (7) \$5,000, within 210 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (8) \$5,000, within 240 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (9) \$5,000, within 270 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (10) \$5,000, within 300 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (11) \$5,000, within 330 days of entry of this Final Judgment; and (12) \$30,000, within 360 days of entry of this Final Judgment. Payments shall be deemed made on the date they are received by the Commission and shall be applied first to post judgment interest, which accrues pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961 on any unpaid amounts due after 30 days of the entry of Final Judgment. Prior to

making the final payment set forth herein, Meyers shall contact the staff of the Commission for the amount due for the final payment.

If Meyers fails to make any payment by the date agreed and/or in the amount agreed according to the schedule set forth above, all outstanding payments under this Final Judgment, including post-judgment interest, minus any payments made, shall become due and payable immediately at the discretion of the staff of the Commission without further application to the Court.

V.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Consent is incorporated herein with the same force and effect as if fully set forth herein.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523, the allegations in the complaint are true and admitted by Defendant Meyers, and further, any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil penalty or other amounts due by Meyers under this Final Judgment or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for the violation by Meyers of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(19).

VII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final Judgment.

VIII.

There being no just reason for delay, pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Clerk is ordered to enter this Final Judgment forthwith and without further notice.

Dated: <u>May 30</u>, 2025

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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Plaintiff,

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:

Defendants.

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CONSENT OF DEFENDANTS LAWRENCE MEYERS AND ICHABOD'S CRANIUM, INC.

- 1. Defendants Lawrence Meyers ("Meyers") and Ichabod's Cranium, Inc. (together, "Defendants") acknowledge having been served with the amended complaint in this action, acknowledge having entered a general appearance, and admit the Court's jurisdiction over Defendants and over the subject matter of this action.
- 2. Without admitting or denying the allegations of the amended complaint (except as provided herein in paragraph 11) and except as to personal and subject matter jurisdiction, which Defendants admit, Defendants hereby consent to the entry of the final Judgment in the form attached hereto (the "Final Judgment") and incorporated by reference herein, which, among other things:
 - (a) permanently restrains and enjoins Defendants from violation of Section 17(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") [15 U.S.C. § 77q(a)] and Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 promulgated

- thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5], as set forth in the Final Judgment; and
- (b) orders Meyers to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$100,000 under Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)] and Section 20(d) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(d)].
- 3. Meyers agrees that he shall not seek or accept, directly or indirectly, reimbursement or indemnification from any source, including but not limited to payment made pursuant to any insurance policy, with regard to any civil penalty amounts that Meyers pays pursuant to the Final Judgment, regardless of whether such penalty amounts or any part thereof are added to a distribution fund or otherwise used for the benefit of investors. Meyers further agrees that he shall not claim, assert, or apply for a tax deduction or tax credit with regard to any federal, state, or local tax for any penalty amounts that Meyers pays pursuant to the Final Judgment, regardless of whether such penalty amounts or any part thereof are added to a distribution fund or otherwise used for the benefit of investors.
- 4. Defendants waive the entry of findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Rule 52 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 5. Defendants waive the right, if any, to a jury trial and to appeal from the entry of the Final Judgment.
- 6. Defendants enter into this Consent voluntarily and represent that no threats, offers, promises, or inducements of any kind have been made by the Commission or any member, officer, employee, agent, or representative of the Commission to induce Defendants to enter into this Consent.
- 7. Defendants agree that this Consent shall be incorporated into the Final Judgment with the same force and effect as if fully set forth therein.

- 8. Defendants will not oppose the enforcement of the Final Judgment on the ground, if any exists, that it fails to comply with Rule 65(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and hereby waive any objection based thereon.
- 9. Defendants waive service of the Final Judgment and agree that entry of the Final Judgment by the Court and filing with the Clerk of the Court will constitute notice to Defendants of its terms and conditions. Defendants further agree to provide counsel for the Commission, within thirty days after the Final Judgment is filed with the Clerk of the Court, with an affidavit or declaration stating that Defendants have received and read a copy of the Final Judgment.
- 10. Consistent with 17 C.F.R. § 202.5(f), this Consent resolves only the claims asserted against Defendants in this civil proceeding. Defendants acknowledge that no promise or representation has been made by the Commission or any member, officer, employee, agent, or representative of the Commission with regard to any criminal liability that may have arisen or may arise from the facts underlying this action or immunity from any such criminal liability. Defendants waive any claim of Double Jeopardy based upon the settlement of this proceeding, including the imposition of any remedy or civil penalty herein. Defendants further acknowledge that the Court's entry of a permanent injunction may have collateral consequences under federal or state law and the rules and regulations of self-regulatory organizations, licensing boards, and other regulatory organizations. Such collateral consequences include, but are not limited to, a statutory disqualification with respect to membership or participation in, or association with a member of, a self-regulatory organization. This statutory disqualification has consequences that are separate from any sanction imposed in an administrative proceeding. In addition, in any disciplinary proceeding before the Commission based on the entry of the injunction in this action, Defendants understand that they shall not be permitted to contest the factual allegations

of the amended complaint in this action.

11. Defendants understand and agree to comply with the terms of 17 C.F.R. § 202.5(e), which provides in part that it is the Commission's policy "not to permit a defendant or respondent to consent to a judgment or order that imposes a sanction while denying the allegations in the complaint or order for proceedings," and "a refusal to admit the allegations is equivalent to a denial, unless the defendant or respondent states that he neither admits nor denies the allegations." As part of Defendants' agreement to comply with the terms of Section 202.5(e), Defendants: (i) will not take any action or make or permit to be made any public statement denying, directly or indirectly, any allegation in the complaint or creating the impression that the complaint is without factual basis; (ii) will not make or permit to be made any public statement to the effect that Defendants do not admit the allegations of the complaint, or that this Consent contains no admission of the allegations, without also stating that Defendants do not deny the allegations; (iii) upon the filing of this Consent, Defendants hereby withdraw any papers filed in this action to the extent that they deny any allegation in the amended complaint; and (iv) stipulate solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523, that the allegations in the amended complaint are true, and further, that any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil penalty or other amounts due by Defendants under the Final Judgment or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for the violation by Defendants of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523(a)(19). If Defendants breach this agreement, the Commission may petition the Court to vacate the Final Judgment and restore this action to its active docket. Nothing in this paragraph affects Defendants':

- (i) testimonial obligations; or (ii) right to take legal or factual positions in litigation or other legal proceedings in which the Commission is not a party.
- 12. Defendants hereby waive any rights under the Equal Access to Justice Act, the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, or any other provision of law to seek from the United States, or any agency, or any official of the United States acting in his or her official capacity, directly or indirectly, reimbursement of attorney's fees or other fees, expenses, or costs expended by Defendants to defend against this action. For these purposes, Defendants agree that Defendants are not the prevailing party in this action since the parties have reached a good faith settlement.
- 13. In connection with this action and any related judicial or administrative proceeding or investigation commenced by the Commission or to which the Commission is a party, Meyers (i) agrees to appear and be interviewed by Commission staff at such times and places as the staff requests upon reasonable notice; (ii) will accept service by mail or facsimile transmission of notices or subpoenas issued by the Commission for documents or testimony at depositions, hearings, or trials, or in connection with any related investigation by Commission staff; (iii) appoints Meyers' undersigned attorney as agent to receive service of such notices and subpoenas; (iv) with respect to such notices and subpoenas, waives the territorial limits on service contained in Rule 45 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and any applicable local rules, provided that the party requesting the testimony reimburses Meyers' travel, lodging, and subsistence expenses at the then-prevailing U.S. Government per diem rates; and (v) consents to personal jurisdiction over Meyers in any United States District Court for purposes of enforcing any such subpoena.
 - 14. Defendants agree that the Commission may present the Final Judgment to the

Court for signature and entry without further notice.

15. Defendants agree that this Court shall retain jurisdiction over this matter for the purpose of enforcing the terms of the Final Judgment.

Dated: Dec. 4, 2024

Lawrence Meyers

On DECOMBENCI, 2024, LAWRENCE MEJERS, a person known to me, personally appeared before me and acknowledged executing the foregoing Consent.



Notary Public

Commission expires: 02-10-2027

Ichabod's Cranium, Inc.

By:

Name of person signing for entity]

[Title] CEO

[Address] THE GLASSPORT AVE LOS AMBELES, CA 91304

On <u>DECEMBERY</u>, 2024, <u>LANGENCE MEYERS</u>, a person known to me, personally appeared before me and acknowledged executing the foregoing Consent with full authority to do so on behalf of Ichabod's Cranium, Inc. as its CEO

Notary Public

Commission expires: 02-10-2027

Approved as to form:

Attorney for Defendants

KAMRAN KHOIE Notary Public - California Los Angeles County Commission # 2434196 My Comm. Expires Feb 10, 2027